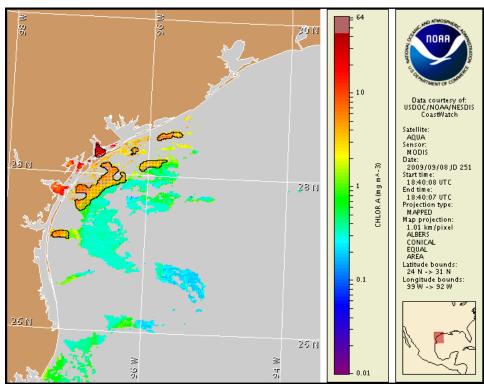


Gulf of Mexico Harmful Algal Bloom Bulletin

Region: Texas
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Satellite chlorophyll image with possible HAB areas shown by red polygon(s). Cell concentration sampling data from August 30 to September 4 shown as red (high), orange (medium), yellow (low b), brown (low a), blue(very low b), purple (very low a), pink (present), and green (not present). For a list of cell count data providers and a key to the cell concentration categories, please see the HABFS bulletin guide:

http://tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov/hab/habfs_bulletin_guide.pdf

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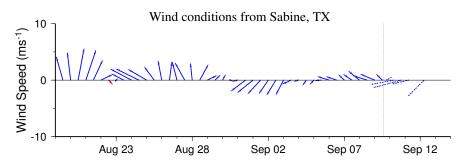
Conditions Report

There are no confirmed reports of harmful algae at this time.

Analysis

Although additional sampling for Karenia brevis has not been done, low concentration of cells have been detected by in situ flow cytometry at Port Aransas. Incomplete imagery indicates a high chlorophyll feature along the coast from Matagorda to south of Port Aransas. Additional sampling is required to confirm presence of harmful algae.

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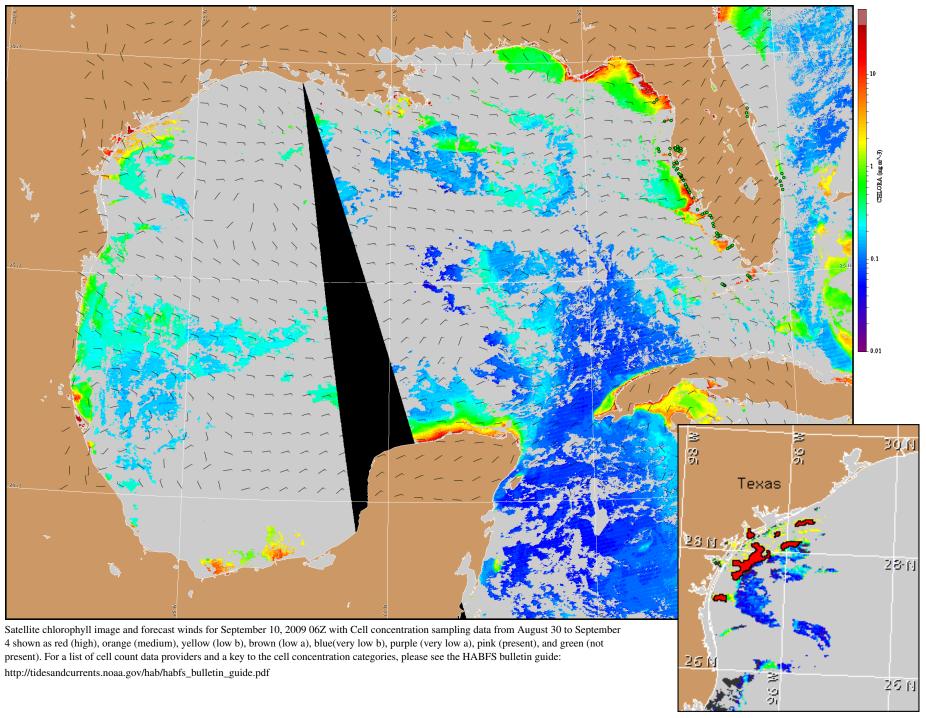


Wind speed and direction are averaged over 12 hours from buoy measurements. Length of line indicates speed; angle indicates direction. Red indicates that the wind direction favors upwelling near the coast. Values to the left of the dotted vertical line are measured values; values to the right are forecasts. Wind observation and forecast data provided by NOAA's National Weather Service (NWS).

Wind Analysis

Variable southeast to east winds 5 to 15 knots today through Friday.

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Verifi ed and suspected HAB areas shown in red. Other areas of high chlorophyll concentration shown in yellow (see p. 1 analysis for interpretation).